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SATURDAY, MAY 12, 1906.

## Reputations and the Rate Bill.

In all probability the railroad rate bill will pass the Senate today, and such an inquiry as has been authorbe ready to go back to the House ized by the Senate. By it the good for further consideration. This child points of the system, and there are will scarcely be recognized by its many, should be emphasized and the parent, but there is hardly ground bad points disclosed to the comfor the fear of some people that it munity which has an undoubted will be disowned. The Senate has right to know what they are. made it a far better measure than it was when it left the House. The ones will get much of it.

tutional law.

Most of reputation and recognigo to those two men. La Follette, by the Board of Education. it is true, has been snubbed and slapped and insulted at every op- proceedings had by the several portunity, from the walk-out of bodies to which the Capital has is a great favorite. Her marriage will Senators at the beginning of his looked, or had a right to look, for speech to a harassing and unfair findings to quiet its continued unenforcement against him of the certainty and apprehension regard- Moines, Iowa. strict rules of debate. But that was ing its schools. An impartial and what he came here for; it was what complete investigation has been he expected. He made his record: he set the stakes for the future be hoped it can be had from the course of this contest, and he will Senate. be a leader in that contest.

Senator Tillman has not made the most of his opportunity as manager of the bill. He has not demonstrated any genius for parliamentary leadership; and the proof he has given that he is an earnest, honest man, with a keen tongue and a blunt way, is nothing new. Aldrich is credited by some observers with a great tactical victory in the Allison amendment, but it must be realized that he has been beaten every time the Senate inserted a strengthening clause in the bill. On the whole, there is room for much discussion. To the Editor of The Washington Times:

Clement, the Misses Butler, Miss Libber, Miss Helen Hurst, Gould Lincoln, as to the effect this experience will have on the future status of the Rhode Islander in the Senate.

The group of thick-and-thin advohave scarcely improved their reputations as practical legislators. Assuming to be the only simon-pure friends the legislation had in the Senate, they were in favor of passing the watery-eyed House bill, and if they could have had their way would have done it, freezing out the numerous amendments for its improvement that the Senate succeeded in inserting. The Democratic minority has been robbed of its political opportunity, for it was not allowed to furnish the votes necessary to pass the bill.

But it is early to summarize these results. The record will have to be viewed in the light of experience with the working of the bill before conclusions can be reached. The Senate, indeed, is likely to get a deal of credit for improving the bill that it doesn't entirely deserve. It was pushed along by the force of public sentiment. It realized that it was under suspicion and needed to do something. What it has done proves that when the public gets sufficiently in earnest it can make the Senate move. That is the greatest thing that has been demon-

# Earthquake Uncovered Graft.

One of the startling results of the catastrophe at San Francisco was the uncovering of the looting that has for years been practised by the political "machines" of the city. They thought their stealings had been hidden until long after their

on that fateful April 18, the costly per's Magazin

The Washington Times monument to graft "crumbled like a playhouse of cards," as a San Francisco paper pufs it, and other THE MUNSEY BULLDING, municipal buildings fared little better, all "bearing the stamp of an unmistakable dishonesty." The Federal hulldings appeared fully as eral buildings, exposed fully as much, were practically unharmed. There had been no graft in the making of them.

This would be a good time for San Francisco to shake off boss rule and clean up its municipal govern- Vice President and Mrs. ment as well as its littered streets. Here is the opportunity for it to become one of the best managed as well as one of the most beautiful of American cities.

## The Senate's School Inquiry.

The local school system has nothing to fear and may gain much from It should be noted that this pro-

posed inquiry is the first which has credit for this improvement will been designed to cover the whole be in demand among a great many subject. The Board of Education statesmen, and doubtless the wrong has, from time to time, investigated particular acts of officers and teach-This long and remarkable con- ers; but as many of its own acts are test has not greatly enhanced the subject of strong adverse critimany reputations for statesman-cism it is manifestly not the agency ship. Bailey of Texas comes out to which the community could turn of it with increased reputation. He for a satisfactory investigation. The has earned for himself a position Board of Trade did not even underamong the recognized first lawyers take an examination into the presof the Senate. He has not claimed ent condition of the schools. The to be an expert in the great subject Business Men's Association, through of transportation and its multiplied its committee on schools, voted exproblems, and on that subject La plicitly not to inquire into the man-Follette has proved himself as agement of the system. The subthoroughly master of the field as committee of the House Committee Bailey has in the realm of consti- on the District of Columbia stopped with an examination into the scheme of organization and the retion out of the winter's contest will view of one particular proceeding

> That is the whole record of the needed for a year. It is sincerely to prominent in a party of about a hundre

The Senate has stored up plenty party will enjoy luncheon under the of work for itself in the month or trees and spend the day in true picnic. thereabouts that is supposed to re- style. They will return to Washingmain of the session. Just think, for instance, of the amount of talk that R'dgely were the Misses Ridgely, Mr. can be indulged apropos of canal, and Mrs. Alexander Britton, Miss Reed, free seeds, and Santo Domingo.

stage where gentlemen anxious to Noyes, Major and Mrs. Reber, Mrs. Dufurnish the pen with which the laney Hunter, Capt. Warner Bayley, Mrs. Micou, Miss Shepard, Miss Bessie well to hurry in their applications.

In an editorial captioned, "The Free Pass," which appears in The Washington Times of this day, there occurs a reference to "the 'local surgeon,' who cates of the unamended House bill on the rolls and given a pass in ex-

> irgeons who are employed by railroads in the United States. It is far from correct to generalize to the effect that the railway medical service of this country has as its basis the free pass. Medical skill is by no means measured by residence in cities rather than in by residence in cities rather than in points where the surgeon employed by a railroad is described as "local." The merest inquiry will show that first-class railroads pick with the utmost care their surgeons from those whose entire time they require as heads of great hospitals down to those in function towns. The local surgeon may, in the event of a serious railway wreck, find himself confronted with an emergency appalling in the magnitude of possible loss of life and priceless in the opportunity for preservation of life by surgical skill. From a purely selfish standpoint it is to the interst of the railroads to obtain the best medical taient. Ignorant or careless ministration means damage reless ministration means damage

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As for "political pull." The physician who sells "political pull" to railways disguised as medical skill is likely to forget his professional duty in the face of political expediency. Such a surgeon might easily prove treacherous in a damage suit, and for this reason railroads invariably seek the man whose great qualifications are his professional zeal and his high sense of duty to the railroad and to the patient which it places in his care. Your reference in this editorial is unfortunately a reflection upon a class of medical men who almost without exception stand in the highest rank of their profession.

Very truly, ROBERT H. PATCHIN, Washington, D. C., May 11, 1996.

# HERBERT SPENCER.

"The pattern of his drawing-room The pattern of his drawing-room copet began to fade when it had be down only a few months. It consists or rather had consisted, of clusters blue flowers on a drabbish ground. No with the principal color gone, it had be a superscript of the principal color gone, it had be a superscript of the principal color gone, it had be a superscript of the principal color gone, it had be a superscript of the principal color gone, it had be a superscript or the pattern of the patt been hidden until long after their own deaths, but nature in one awful instant shook away the coverings of their rascality and exposed their colossal system of graft in all its nakedness.

The chief revelation came with the destruction of the City Hall. It may be remembered that the original estimates for that building provided for an expenditure of \$1,800,000. The cellars were hardly made before that was all gone, and when the hall was completed \$8,000,000 had been spent. The politicians excused that on the ground of the building's splendid construction, but when the earth quivered on that fateful April 18, the costly

# IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY >

Fairbanks to Go South.

## METHODIST CONFERENCE

Re-Engagement of Miss Kathleen Clayton to Grant Duff Comes as a Surprise to Washington Society.

The Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks will leave Washington tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock in a special car, and will go direct to Birmingham, Ala. They were to have gone the early part of this week, but were prevented by the official luties of the Vice President.

They will attend he Methodist Confer ence now in session in Birmlugham, be-fore which the Vice President was to have delivered an address, and will return to Washington, probably reaching here by Tuesday evening.

A pleasant surprise was given society oday by the announcement from the Belgian Minister and Baroness Mon cheur of the engagement of Miss Kathleen Clayton, sister of the baroness, to Grant Duff, eldest son of the late Sir Mounts Stuart Grant Duff, who died last January. Grant Duff has been acting British charage d'affaires at Darmstadt but has been appointed minister to Havana. The engagement of Miss Clayton and Mr. Duff is the renewal of an old love affair, their friends having been acquainted with their engagement two us ago through a formal announce ment made by Gen. Powell Clayton, then assador to Mexico, and Mrs. Clayton. Just when society expected a date set for the wedding word was given out that the engagement had been broken, and no reason was assigned.

Miss Clayton is a young woman of de-ightful personality, and having spenmuch time here with the Belgian minister and her sister, Baroness Moncheur take place in this country some time in September. She will leave here Wednes. lay for her father's home, in Des

The Comptroller of Currency and Mrs William Barret Ridgely were mos people who left Washington at 19:51 this morning in a special car for Warrenton, Va. It is a "Dutch treat" picnic and upon arriving at Warrenton, the

ton this evening.

In the party besides Mr. and Mrs. Captain and Mrs. Chapin, Commande and Mme. Hebbinghaus, Miss Cannon Things have now reached the Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Archibald, Miss Archibald, Mrs. and Mrs. Thomas President signs the rate bill will do Mrs. Micou, Miss Snepard, Miss Conrad, Miss Sowers, Miss Halford, Miss Marcia Butler, Mrs. Spaulding, Mrs. Captain Culiver, Charles Harris, Mills Thompson, Captain Carleton, and Frank

at every town where trains stop is kept on the rolls and given a pass in exchange for his occasional services and his political pull."

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Colonel and Mrs. Blount announce a feet as has been done in many in stances and adding this to the width of the sidewalks, the usefulness of the roadway is impaired without any re-of Miss Ethel, Miss Carow, Captain The Our Town," "The Court of Boy-the proprietor used to write his novel."

the Oaks. on the list of patrons

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, of Washington.

Mrs. James Abel, of 1454 Douglas

Richard Cutts Fairfield, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fairfield, of De Sales street, who has scarlet fever, is improving.

Mrs. Lawrence Turnbull, of Baltimore visiting her sister, Miss Grace Donio Litchfield, at her home, in Dupont Cir-cle. Mrs. Turnbull, like Mrs. Wharton, is one of the women in society who write novels. Her "Golden Book of Venice"

Mrs. I. Grosner, accompanied by her daughter, Ruth, has gone to visit her nother in New York city for Several weeks. weeks.

Mr. Pots, of Boston, was in town for

J. Bernheimer has been in the city from New York, stopping at the Raleig. Hotel for a few weeks.

Sol Behrend, who has just returned from California, stopped at the Fre-donia in this city for a while before returning to New York.

Mrs. Harry Wolf has returned

Washington after a short stay in At-Mrs. Edgar L. Barclay, sr., of 150 W treet, has discontinued her Wednes-

# FERRIS WHEEL AT ST. LOUIS DESTROYED WITH DYNAMITE

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 12.-The Ferris wheel at the World's Fair Grounds has been wrecked by a blast of dynamite. The monster wheel is now only a targled mass of bent and twisted iron rods and pillars.

Mrs. W. G. Bennett, wife of the superintendent of the Chicago House Wreck ing Company, touched an electric button there was a dull boom, and the great wheel fell in ruins. The three-inch steel truss rods were bent and twisted, the iron columns broken, and the rim of the wheel smashed together and the heads

of the bolts snapped off.

Forty sticks of dynamite were touched off in the foundation this morning, but the explosion merely blew out portions of the concrete, not causing the wheel to topple. The drillers began work at once to nut in the much larger charge, which o put in the much larger charge, which brought down the wheel and structure, weighing 4,200 tons.



MISS KATHLEEN CLAYTON, Daughter of ex-Ambassador to Mexico, Whose Engagement to Grant Duff Was Reannounced Today After Having Been Broken for Two Years.

# WIDTH OF STREETS TO BE IINCHANGED

This Is Hope of Business Men's Association.

REASONS ARE OUTLINED

Would Be False Economy to Narrow Any Roadways in the District, Says Report of Committee.

Business Men's Association adopted the report of the committee on public improvements of the District of Columbia last night in which the com miftee is unanimously opposed to the plans of the District Commissioners to narrow streets and roadways within the limits of the District.

"It was the evident intention," the eport of the committee cites. "of

ders & Stayman's, the Tea-cup Inn, and sulting benefit to the sidewalk, for the he Oaks.

The hour has been changed from the walk is between the trees and the curb afternoon to the evening in order to accommodate the large number of men owing to the fact that lamp posts, fire plugs, telegraph poles, etc. obstruct the pathway.

"The claim made by our present auannounce the engagement of their dauhter. Carrie C., to Thomas E. Canty. thorities for their policy of narrowing roadways is 'economy.' It costs less to roadways is 'economy.' It costs less to pave thirty feet than it does thirty-Mrs. James Abel, of 1454 Douglas five feet, but to this gain must be add-street, northwest, has as her guests her father, H. Adler, and her sisters, Miss Carrie and Laura Adler, of Pitts-burg. the narrow street owing to travel be ing compelled to follow a comparative 1: beaten path will result in muci greater expense in maintaining the

"We recommend that the association ieartily indorse the position taken by the Northeast Washington Citizens' we vigorously oppose any legislation that would give our District officials authority to inaugurate such a policy The committee also recommended that one of the greatest and most urgently needed improvements to the District was the reclamation of the Anacostia flats. In the report V. Baldwin Johnson, chairman of the public improvement committee, indicated that they would strengously urgs in the inthey would strenuously urge in the in-terest of the entire District and of the health of a large population, that Con-

# EASTERN HIGH BOYS WINNERS OF DEBATE

Victory Over Central Gives Them Washington and Philadelphia School Championship.

Eastern High School won the championship debate between that school and the Central High School yesterday upon the proposition, "Resolved, That the Chinese exclusion act should be repealed." Eastern argued the negative

This debate practically gives to Eastern High School the championship of the Washington and Philadelphia High Schools, since Central has defeated the champions of the Quaker City on the Western rostrum, down in defeat before the, boys from Capitol Hill.

# **AOKI'S RECEPTION**

Brilliant Gathering at the Japanese Embassy.

MUCH INTEREST MANIFESTED

The First Ambassador From Mikado's Kingdom and His Wife the Center of a Fashionable Throng.

Far more than ordinary interest was shown in the reception of Viscoun: Siuzo Aoki, the new Japanese ambassa for, and Viscountess Aoki, than is generally shown in the reception always given to the diplomatic corps by a new ambassador, not only from the fact that he the first diplomat of that rank to be ent to this country from Japan, but because of the reputation of the Visount and Viscountess in Europe for eneral popularity.

From 5 o'clock the sidewalk before he embassy in N street presented an nteresting spectacle, groups of young diplomats standing about in lively conersation waiting for the deans of the rps to pay their respects before makng their calls.

The drawing rooms and dining room of the embassy were deco-rated after the Japanese fashion with branches of dogwood and white lac, the former making a background efore which the ambassador and his wife stood receiving their guests. The iscountess, who is rather short and tout, were a gown of sage green silk and deep rich lace bertha. Standing with them were the counselor of the embassy, Tsunejiro Miyaoka, and Mme. Miyaoka, the latter wearing a gown of pearly gray chiffon and lace, made after the American style, and wearing her

All of the members of the diplomatic corps called. Lady Durand was alone, and wore a gown of pearl gray brocade and lace and a toque of the same color with a knot of pink at one side. Baroness Hengelmuller accompanied the ambassador from Austria and wore a gown of deep coral pink with white lace trimmings, a white feather boa and a white and pink hat. Mme. Nabuco, wife of the Brazilian ambassador, was accompanied by Mme. Joseph Jerlerson, is "The Life for a Star," by Clara Morris, which McClure, Phillips & Co. have just published. For nearly a generation the foremost emotional actress on the stage, Augustin Daly's leading lady, hailed as Augustin Daly's leading lady, hailed as People," in four volumes, has just been relissued by the Harpers, and is now on sale at all book stores. Among the hundreds of illustrations that distinguish the work are portraits, maps, reproductions of photographs, medals, famous paintings, and drawings from old manuscripts with a series of very witting. Salvini, and people prominent in other walks of the first secretary, and wore a gown of tan cloth and a red hat. Mme. do Amaral wore a gown of tan cloth and a red hat. Mme. do Amaral wore a gown of tan cloth and a red hat. Mme. do Amaral wore a gown of tan cloth and a red hat. Mme. do Amaral wore a gown of tan cloth and a red hat. Mme. do Amaral wore a gown of tan cloth and a red hat. Mme. do Amaral wore a gown of tan cloth and a red hat. Mme. do Amaral wore a gown of tan cloth and a red hat. Mme. Jusserand, who accompanied the French ambassador, wore a gown of pale blue panne velvet and white lace, and a white hat. The wife of the Mexican ambassador was a block of the Mexican ambassador was a block.

S. A., now stationed in Washington woman.

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Representative and Mrs. Nicholas ngworth returned to Washington from Longworth returned to Washington from Cincinnati Thursday, and are again settled in their house in Eighteenth street. At luncheon with them yesterday were the Counselor of the British Embassy and Lady Susan Townley, Lieutenant Fortesque, and others, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, sr., did not accompany her son and daughter to Washington, but will join them here next week.

Senor Don Luis Felipe Carbo, the new minister from Ecuador, and Senora Dona Matilde Noboa de Carbo, with their family of three daughters and a son, are now making their home at the Arling-ton, and will remain there until settling ipon some resort where they will spend the summer.

Mrs. Charles J. Bell received three or Mrs. Charles J. Bell received three or four hundred people from official and resident society at a tea yesterday afternoon, at Standup Twin Oaks, her country home on Woodley Lane, Mrs. Eell received her guests alone, and wore a gown of pink silke and a white and pink hat. The weather permitted a relightful tea service on the lawn, as was as on the verandas, and in the drawing rooms. The parlors and other parts of the pleasant residence were decorated with large branches of flowerorated with large branches of flower-ing plants, and many of the shrubs on the lawn were in full blossom, which, combined with the gay costumes of the women, lent a charming effect.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Vechten Olcott left Washington yesterday for Stamford. Conn., where they will attend the marriage of Mr. Olcott's niece, Miss Mather, later going to New York for a few days before returning to Washington.

long public career. He served as private secretary to several of England's great governmental leaders, including Lord Salisbury, while the latter was foreign minister.

He was married in 1894 to Mary Montgomeric Lamb Singleton, a well known writer under the name of "Violet Fane."

## COLLISION WITH WHALE IS NARROWLY AVERTED

Capitol Hill.

The speakers for Eastern were Zane Pyles, Daniel B. Priest, and Samuel Eryan, while those who composed the losing side were Fred H. Koschwitz, A. B. Gillfillan, and E. O. Schreiber The judges were Representative J. Adam Bede, Prof. W. R. Vance and Prof. J. W. Gore.

Long Branch he sighted a whale about old woman. It will take you away from yourselves and make you happy. It will take you away from yourselves and make you happy. It was changed just in time to avoid a collision. The whale seemed to want a collision and again crossed the boat's bow. The Angler got away. If the bait had not run low it is possible a sea serpent might have accompanied the whale.

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# IN THE BOOK WORLD

McClure and Puillips Part.

S. S. McClure, president of the Mc-Clure's Magazine and of the book pub-

stock of Mr. Phillips confirms rumors which have been current for some time that there was a split in the firm in re gard to the management and the editorial policy of some of the publications It is understood, although not positively confirmed, that Mr. Phillips will sooi establish a new magazine, having with him such writers as ida M. Tarbell, Lin coln Steffens, and Ray Stannard Baker who are all now associated with Ma. who are all now associated with Mc-clure's Magazine. Mr. Philips has confirmed the sale of his stock, but added that the action was

Clure's Magazine.

Mr. Phillips has confirmed the sale of his stock, but added that the action was purely friendly. It was perfected Thursday, he said. He refused to say how much stock he had held and what he would do for some time, but when a saked about the starting of a new magazine to he hesitated, and finally said:

"I have considered such an idea, but have not fally made up my mind."

"Will Miss Tarbell and Mr. Steffens and Mr. Baker be associated with you in such a magazine." He was asked.

"If legin one they will be associated with me, without doubt."

It is understood that the trouble among the writers first started after President Roosevelt made his allusion to the trust exposers in monthly magazines. Mr. McChure, it is understood, has been averse to the publication of such exposures, while Mr. Phillips and those mentioned with him, who have written such articles, are said to be in favor of them. It is understood that he will continue at the head of the magazine, and that Witter Binner, one of the editorial writer and have charge of the writer and ha

of Lippincott's Magazine are residents of Washington. "Two in a Fog," a complete novelette, is by William H. Babcock, a Washington attorney. "In the Court of Last Resort" is a strong short story by Col. Willard French, U. S. A., now stationed in Washington. "Peter O'Forus" is a humorous Irish story by Margaret Sullivan Burke—a Washington woman.

congress as far back as farly to establish a minimum width for the roadways of the thoroughfares of the city of Washington with a view of preserving the width of streets for the commercial interests and convenience of the public.

"If the action of Congress limiting the minimum width of roadways thirty-six years ago, when the population of the District was 130,700, it is the opinion of your committee that it is opi

William Allen White, the author of "Ir Our Town," "The Coart of Boyvilla," etc., is the editor of the Emporia Gazette. He is evidently under no illusions as to his personal appearance, to judge from the following which is clipped from as ditorial page of the Gazette:

"Editorial Symposium:

"Look out for some heavy editorials shortly. We have pasted a picture of the editor of the Emporia Gazette before our desk for inspiration.—Leavenworth Times.

"Whatever may be said of the face of the editor of this paper—which, to use a typographical expression, is 36 point extended—it has never been used for inspiration. It has been successfully used in cases of sluggish liver; a number of gentlemen in Emporia whose circulation is impaired used it successfully to start heart action; it flushes the face, quickens the breath, loosens the vocabulary, increases the temperature. It is a familiar object at the note counter of the bank every ninety days and is good at the various grocery stores around town for thirty days' credit. As a face it is not a startling but features in it, and they are a job lot representing Grecian, Gothic and frith architecture."

Sorrento, became a tourists' shrine, the proprietor used to write his novel in an octagonal room at the top of the building, that peers across the bay of Naples toward Vesuvius. Of late years, however. Mr. Crawford has removed his workshop to a picture of the watch to use a typographical expression, is supported used to write his not cargonal room at the top of the building, that peers across the bay of Naples toward Vesuvius. Of late years, however. Mr. Crawford has removed his workshop to a picture of the watch to were served centuries ago by Charles V against Saracenic invasion. It rears its head upon a bold headland, is two stories in height, and has walls eight feet thick.

Every summer, on board his yacht, head way, was once the New York pilot boat Ezra Nye, which the author purchased in America, sailed across the Atlantic, refitted and rechistened with the name Alda, D

"The Jungle" in England.

impression in England, where it has gone into a second large edition. The press praises it highly and gives it much space. The London Evening News critic says it is worthy of Zoia, adding "I doubt if Zoia ever wrote an thing quite so haunting, quite so vivid." The Manchester Guardian declares that it

FIRST LORD CURRIE

IS DEAD IN LONDON

LONDON, May 12.—Sir Philip Henry
Wodehouse, the first Lord Currie, died
this morning.

Lord Currie was the former British
ambassador to Constantinople and
Rome, He was born in 1834 and had a
long public career. He served as
private secretary to several of England's great wavernment leader.

A Jefferson Creed.

Francis Wilson has placed opposite the first page of his new book, "Joseph Jefferson: Reminiscences of a Fellow Player," these two quotations from Jefferson's own words, which give the spirit of this delightful book better than any comment could:

"I have devoted all my life to acting, men."

The success of Ellen Glasgow's novel "The Wheel of Life," which is a New York story, recalls the interesting fact that the scenes of her first novel "The Descendant" were laid in New York too. It was published anonymously and was accredited for a time to a number of well known writers—all men. any comment could:
"I have devoted all my life to acting, and I stand today in awe of its great-

NEW YORK. May 12.—Captain Foster, of the fishingboat Angler, today, at the Battery, reported that while passing Long Branch he sighted a whale about sixty feet long. The Angler's course from yourselves and make you happy."

he has ever been on this side of the ocean and his visit here is only for a few weeks. He intends to go to Chicago Clure's Magazine and of the book publishing firm of McClure, Phillips & Co., has purchased the interest formerly held by John S. Phillips in both concerns, and now controls the entire business. In the place of Mr. Phillips as treasurer of each concern, Oscar W. Brady, the secretary, has been elected treasurer.

The purchase by Mr. McClure of the stock of Mr. Phillips confirms rumers.

## "The Struggle for Self-Government."

The articles on the political situations representative States contributed by Steffens to McClure's Magazine have been gathered in a volume and re to be published May 9th by McClure, Phillips & Company, under the title of "The Struggle for Self-Government." The sub-title of the volume states that it is "an attempt to trace American political corruption in six States, with a declaration to the Czar." Mr. Steffens it is "an attempt to trace American political corruption in six States, with a declaration to the Czar." Mr. Steffens has also recorded the rise of the demand for good and clean government that is sweeping all over our country, and, taking Ohio, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Wisconsin, Illinois and Missouri, as examples, he shows the steps by which the people are beginning to wrest the governing power from the hands of political bosses.

It is a stirring story and one full of encouragement, for years spent in investigation of reform movements in all parts of the country have made Mr. Steffens more able than anyone else.

## Clara Morris' Stage Reminiscences.

A volume that rivals in its interest or stage lovers the famous autobiography of Joseph Jefferson, is "The Life

the life of Shakespeare for the English the life of Shakespeare to the English Men of Letters series, has recently brought out a brief but exceedingly interesting volume on "The English Voyages of the Sixteenth Century." The

"Pieces" to Speak at School.

"The Jungle" in England.
"Days and Deeds" is the title of a compilation of verse to be brought out by represents a very careful selection of poetry bearing on the important days and events of American history, and has been worked out by Mr. Stevenson as a result of the great difficulties which he with any existing book or books

Brief Literary Notes.

"The Jungle" is being translated in-to French, German, Yiddish, Bohemian, Lithuanian and Polish.

Harrison Rhodes, the author of the clever social satire "The Lady and the Ladder," recently declared that he reversed the usual order of things by being a "disappointed critic turned how(list and playright."

Doubleday, Page & Company are bringing out "Hero Tales Every Child Should Know," edited by Hamilton W. Mable, and "Birds Every Child Should Know," by W. L. Finley.